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April 29, 1999

Mr. Jim Wickes
AT&T Alascom
210 East Bluff Drive
Anchorage, Alaska 99501

Re: Former Neklason Lake Radio Relay Site; Palmer, Alaska

Dear Mr. Wickes:

Ecology and Environment, Inc., (E & E) has been tasked by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to perform a site visit at the former Neklason Lake Radio Relay Site near Palmer, Alaska. This letter is to confirm that permission is granted by you to access this formerly used defense site located on AT&T Alascom land.

The site visit is scheduled for Friday, June 4, 1999, and will be conducted by me and Mr. Mike Daigneault, also of E & E.

E & E is an authorized contractor of EPA (Contract No. 68-W6-0008) and is acting as field investigators for EPA. E & E personnel may be accompanied by representatives from EPA, the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation, or both.

Under Section 104(e) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, 42 United States Code 9604(e), EPA may gain access to and request information from sites where:

- Any hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants may have been released or are threatened to be released; or
- Any hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants may have been generated, stored, treated, disposed of, or transported to or from the site.

The former Neklason Lake Radio Relay Site will be visited to determine the impact or potential impact of any hazardous substances that were released to the environment from past military operations. The field investigators will:

- Meet with the site owner or representative on the date specified above;
- Interview the site owner or representative to confirm existing information (e.g., address and total area);
- Perform a site walk-through and visual inspection with the site owner or representative;



- Photograph the site; and
- Collect all pertinent information, including manifests, site maps, and sampling results, from the site owner or representative.

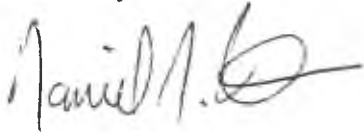
Additionally, E & E may attempt to collect surface soil samples from various areas at the site and a groundwater sample from the on site well. Findings of this site visit will enable EPA to determine whether any further action is appropriate.

You may assert a claim of confidentiality for any information entitled to protection under 40 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 2, Subpart B. All confidential material must be submitted separately, marked *confidential*, and included with the basis of your claim. EPA will treat such information as set forth in the cited subpart.

Enclosed please find a copy of a Consent for Access form. E & E cannot perform a site visit on your property without a signed Consent for Access form. Please sign and return the form in the self-addressed, stamped envelope provided.

If you have any questions regarding our site visit, or the Consent for Access form, please contact me at (907) 257-5000, or Mr. Mark Ader of EPA at (206) 553-1808.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Daniel Frank", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Daniel Frank
Project Manager

cc: M. Ader, EPA, Region 10, Seattle, WA

Enclosure



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION 10
1200 Sixth Avenue
Seattle, Washington 98101

April 29, 1999

CONSENT FOR ACCESS TO PROPERTY

Property Owner: AT&T Alascom
Address: 210 East Bluff Dr.
Anchorage, Alaska 99501
Attn: Real Estate

I hereby give my consent to officers, employees, authorized representatives and persons acting at the request of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to enter and have access to AT&T Alascom owned property, which is the formerly used defense site "Neklason Lake Radio Relay Site" located at mile 0.25 Engstrom Road, Palmer, Alaska. Access is requested for the following purposes:

- ~~1. The construction and maintenance of monitoring wells, including emplacement of durable identification markers as may be determined to be necessary;~~
2. The taking of such soil, water and air samples as may be determined to be necessary;
- ~~3. The proper abandonment of any well(s) constructed as may be determined to be necessary; and~~
4. Other actions (e.g., the staking of subsurface utility locations, surveying, etc.) related to the investigation of surface or subsurface contamination.

Upon completion of the site visit, all material and equipment will be removed by EPA, and the property will be restored by EPA (as nearly as practicable) to its original condition.

Date

Signature

Title

Person EPA Should Contact:

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